



**Romic Environmental Technologies Corporation
East Palo Alto, California**

**JULY 20, 2005, SUMMARY OF VIOLATIONS
AND RESPONSE TO VIOLATIONS
AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC REVIEW
PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED
AN ADDITIONAL THIRTY DAYS
ON THE DRAFT PERMIT AND
DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT**

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) has added two documents to the Romic Environmental Technologies Corporation (Romic) administrative record. These two documents describe violations observed by DTSC during the latest inspection of Romic, conducted in May and June, 2005 and Romic's response to these violations. You may review them at the East Palo Alto Public Library, 2415 University Avenue in East Palo Alto or at our Berkeley office file room, 700 Heinz Street, Suite 300, Berkeley CA. For more details, please read the two boxes below.

As a result of adding these two documents, DTSC has extended the public comment period on the draft Hazardous Waste Facility Permit (Draft Permit) and a Draft Environmental Impact Report an additional 30 days from August 29, 2005 to September 28, 2005. **The 120-day public comment period began May 31, 2005, and now ends September 28, 2005.** If DTSC approves the Draft Permit, DTSC would renew the Romic permit to store and treat hazardous waste at its facility, 2081 Bay Road, East Palo Alto. This permit would be in effect for 10 years.

Romic operates a hazardous waste recycling, storage and treatment facility. It plans to store and treat wastes in 138 tanks. In addition, there are 28 treatment units to be used by Romic. The Draft Permit includes a number of existing treatment processes and units including solvent recycling, fuel blending, lab packing, and antifreeze recycling. New treatment processes in the Draft Permit include crushing empty contaminated drums, washing contaminated tanker trucks, and depressurizing aerosol cans, dewatering and stabilizing sludge and consolidating and repacking solid waste. You may comment on any aspect of the Draft Permit.

Under the California Environmental Quality Act, DTSC must evaluate whether the proposed actions may have any significant impacts on the environment. In order to do this analysis, DTSC has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Report (Draft EIR).

The 120-day public comment period began May 31, 2005, and now ends September 28, 2005. You may send all comments in writing to Wei-Wei Chui, Section Chief, DTSC, 700 Heinz Avenue, Suite 200, Berkeley, CA 94710 or by e-mail to wchui@dtsc.ca.gov. Comments must be postmarked or delivered by September 28, 2005.

Copies of the Summary of Violations, Response to Violations, draft documents, fact sheet, and related information are available at:

East Palo Alto Branch Library

Reference Desk

2415 University Avenue

East Palo Alto, California 94303

Please call (650) 321-7712 for information on hours

To review the full administrative record, please contact:

DTSC - Berkeley Office File Room

700 Heinz Avenue, Suite 300

Berkeley, California 94710

For arrangements, please call

(510) 540-3800.

At the close of the public comment period, DTSC will make the decision on the Draft Permit and the Draft EIR only after all public comments have been fully considered. DTSC will prepare a Response to Comments document and send it to all people who commented on this project. Also, you will be able to review the Response to Comments document at the locations listed above or on the DTSC web site.

For more information, please contact Nathan Schumacher, Public Participation Specialist, toll free at (866) 495-5651 or e-mail at NSchumac@dtsc.ca.gov.

If you are from the media, please contact Angela Blanchette, Public Information Officer, at (510) 540-3732 or ABlanche@dtsc.ca.gov.

Notice to the Hearing Impaired: TDD users can obtain additional information by using the California State Relay Service at 1-888-877-5378. Please ask them to contact Nathan Schumacher at 916-255-3650 about Romic.